

REMARKS

This communication is a timely response to a decision before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences having a notification date of July 23, 2008. No request for rehearing under 37 C.F.R. 41.52 will be filed by Applicants. The Examiner's rejection of claims 17-22 was affirmed-in-part. Under 37 C.F.R. 41.54, Applicants are timely filing a Request for Continued Examination to carry into effect the decision of the Board. Claim 17 is herein amended and claims 18 and 19 are canceled. Previously withdrawn claims 14-16 which were made the subject of an election are herein canceled to make claims 1-16 canceled. Applicants reserve the right to subsequently timely file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter.

The Board's decision reversed the rejection as to claim 18. Accordingly, Applicants have herein incorporated the limitation of claim 18 into base claim 17 to place claim 17 in condition for allowance. Claim 18 is herein canceled. Applicants respectfully request the allowance of independent claim 17. In view of the amendment to base claim 17 to incorporate the subject matter of claim 18, dependent claims 19-22 are now placed in condition for allowance.

New claims 23-30 are herein added for consideration. The total number of pending claims is 12 and the total number of pending independent claims is 3. No new matter is introduced as a result of these new claims. On the basis of the Appeal Decision, independent claims 23 and 27 are allowable as each recites the feature of a "deviation of less than 0.13 millimeters" in a packaged semiconductor device having a plurality of substantially identical package sites arranged in an

array. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the allowance of new claims 23-30 to place the application in condition for allowance.

During the pendency of the aforementioned Appeal, information disclosure statements filed by Applicants on 04-13-04 and 07-06-05 were placed in the application file without being considered. Applicants herein request that the information in those statements be officially made of record.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the time and effort spent on the examination of this application. Applicants earnestly request the allowance of pending claims 17 and 20-30.

Respectfully submitted,

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